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SAN FRANCISCO MAN CHARGED
WITH ARMED ROBBERY OF A FOLSOM CREDIT UNION

SACRAMENTO--United States Attorney McGregor W. Scott announced that a federal grand jury returned a three count indictment yesterday charging PAUL PARIS, 55 with one count of armed credit union robbery, one count of using and carrying a firearm during the commission of the offense, and one count of being a felon in possession of a firearm. The case has been assigned to United States District Court Judge Frank C. Damrell.

The case is being investigated by the Sacramento Violent Crimes Task Force, which includes the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Sacramento County Sheriff's Office. In this case, the Sacramento Violent Crimes Task Force is being assisted by Police Departments in Folsom and San Francisco.

According to Assistant United States Attorney Michelle Rodriguez, who is prosecuting the case, the Sacramento Violent Crimes Task Force's joint investigation revealed that, on February 15, 2007, an armed takeover robbery occurred at the Provident Credit Union, 2475 Iron Point Road, Folsom, California. The indictment alleges that PARIS was the robber, and that he used a .22 caliber rifle to commit the takeover robbery. PARIS was arrested in San Francisco on February 16, 2007, for two unrelated San Francisco area bank robberies. He is currently in San Francisco. For the charges returned by the grand jury yesterday, PARIS faces a minimum mandatory 5 years and up to 40 years in federal prison.

The United States Attorney's Office noted that the charges are only accusations, and that the defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt.

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